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FROM HYDRAULICALLY HARDENED
CEMENT PASTE MATERIAL AND
METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION
THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 58, to read as follows:

58. A fiber-reinforced, thin-walled component comprising a cement matrix made of a superfine cement and fluidizers, and a plurality of superposed, compressed steel wool mats, wherein the outer surfaces of the components are virtually free of said steel wool fibers.